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RE: Durham-Orange Light Rail Transit Project, Durham and Orange Counties, North Carolina, ER 12-0378, Submission of Memorandum of Agreement

Dear Ms. Bartos:

The Research Triangle Regional Public Transportation Authority d/b/a Triangle Transit d/b/a GoTriangle (GoTriangle), on behalf of the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), writes to continue the Section 106 process for the proposed Durham-Orange Light Rail Transit (D-O LRT) Project as set forth by the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966.

Enclosed please find a Memorandum of Agreement between the FTA, GoTriangle, and the North Carolina State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) to establish the procedures by which the parties will work to ensure the effective protection of historic and/or archaeological resources during the implementation and construction of the proposed D-O LRT Project.

Please contact Stan Mitchell with FTA Region IV at (404) 865-5642 or via email at stanley.a.mitchell@dot.gov, or Carrie Walker at FTA Region IV at (404) 865-5645 or via email at julia.walker@dot.gov, if you have any questions about the enclosed Memorandum of Agreement.

FTA and GoTriangle look forward to continued consultation with the SHPO to as the D-O LRT Project moves forward.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure:

Memorandum of Agreement

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